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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below), or an original, first and joint inventor (if more than one inventor's name is listed below), of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled
Identity Verification Method Using a Central Biometric Authority

Title of Invention _____

the specification of which: is attached hereto was filed on _____ Application Serial No. _____
 (for Declaration not accompanying application)

with amendment(s) filed on _____
 (date(s) of all amendments)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119/§172 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or Inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED PRIOR TO THE FILING DATE OF THE APPLICATION			
APPLICATION NUMBER	COUNTRY	DATE OF FILING (Day, Month, Year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119/172
			Yes _____ No _____
			Yes _____ No _____
			Yes _____ No _____

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

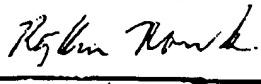
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Signature of 1st Inventor 	Signature of 2nd Inventor 	Signature of 3rd Inventor	Signature of 4th Inventor
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: (check one) Application of: Sumit H. Nanavati and Rajkumar Nanavati
 (Inventor Names)

Patent of:
 Serial No.: Not Assigned Patent No.: _____
 Serial No. _____ Patent No. _____

Filed: Herewith Examiner: _____
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Issued: Date of issuance Group Art Unit: _____

For: Identity Verification Method Using a Central Biometric Authority
 Title of Invention

VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
[37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c)]-Small Business Concern

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby declare that I am:

- the owner of the small business concern identified below;
 an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

Name of concern International Biometric Group, LLC
 Address of concern 99 Park Avenue, Suite 28/A
New York, NY 10016

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 4(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern and/or there is an obligation under contract or law by the inventor(s) to convey rights to the small business concern with regard to the invention, entitled, Identity Verification Method Using a Central Biometric Authority by inventor(s) Sumit H. Nanavati and Rajkumar H. Nanavati described in:

(Title of Application)

Inventor Name(s)

- the specification filed herewith
 application serial no. _____ filed _____
 patent no. _____ filed _____

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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Signature: Rajkumar H. Nanavati Date: May 14, 1999

NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern, or organization having rights to the invention attesting to their status as small entities.